

**Date:** Saturday, August 9, 2009  
**Time:** 12:30pm  
**Place:** Multi Purpose Room

**University of Waterloo  
Federation of Students  
Students' Council Minutes**

*The Fourth meeting of the 2009-2010 Students' Council was held Sunday, July 12th, 2009 at 12:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Student Life Centre.*

**Attendance:**

**Voting members:**

Chris Neal

Ian Kasper

Anna Lafoyannis

Jonathan Goetz

Nick Soave

Muhammad Ali Akbar

Ajnu Jacob

Anthony Iseyemi

Carole Daugherty

Sam Andrey

Nathan Realubit

Alice Qi

Sarah Cook

Matt Waller

**Non-voting members:**

Jeff Henry (acting

speaker)

John Andersen

**Gallery:**

Ryan Huckle

Geordie Graham

Amber Cantell

Steve Krysak

Victoria Alleyne

Sean Uyeda

Acting Speaker, Jeff Henry call the meeting to order at 12:44pm, pronouncing quorum.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda: 1<sup>st</sup> A. Babor, 2<sup>nd</sup> A. Iseyemi

A. Babor moves to amend the agenda to bring business (new and old, items 8 and 9 of the agenda) as well as the environmental scan before reports and revisit the new agenda for future meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> A. Iseyemi).

Speaker accepts the amendment as friendly to the floor and passed with unanimous consent.

I. Kasper: I would like to amend to move the budget first (2<sup>nd</sup> S. Cook). I'd like to see this item first as we could potentially lose quorum by 4pm.

S. Cook: Its important the services have their budgets immediately.

Speaker: Seeing no objections that amendment is taken as unanimous.

N. Soave: I'd like to amend the agenda to include a discussion on the ENV3 building as a new item 9b with wording as follows (2<sup>nd</sup> A. Babor):

Whereas the Federation of Students is mandated to represent and empower students,

And Whereas the Faculty of Environment and the Governments of Canada and Ontario are providing the funds to build Environment 3,

And Whereas a Faculty specific building should represent the cultural and academic interests of it perspective Faculty,

And Whereas the Faculty has developed the EV3 Building Working Group comprised of students, faculty and staff to determine standards for their building over the past three month,

BIRT the Federation of Students support the work and decisions of the EV3 Building Working Group,

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Speaker: Seeing no objections the amendment is taken as accepted with unanimous consent

C. Neal: I move to amend the agenda to include the ratification of the temporary speaker, Jeff Henry as Andrew Dilts was away this weekend (2<sup>nd</sup> M. Waller).

Speaker: Are there any further amendments or discussion? Seeing none, the amendment is taken as approved.

## **2. Consent Agenda**

1. Whereas the Bylaws, Policies and Procedures Committee has reviewed Council Policies 1-6; and

Whereas these Council Policies have not been renewed in nearly 5 years time; therefore

BIRT that Council renew the following Council Policies without amendments:

Council Policy 1  
Council Policy 4  
Council Policy 5  
Council Policy 6

2. Approval of the July 2009 Council Minutes

Consent agenda moved by A. Babor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Waller.

A. Babor: The consent agenda is a new addition for council, but should help us to work more efficiently. We'll be using the consent agenda to approve items with little or no discussion required. A resource has been provided by John on consent agendas and circulated to councilors with the council package.

Motion carried unanimously, 15-0-0.

12:54pm Councillor S. McKee arrives.

## **9. New Business**

### **9. k. Budget Presentation**

C. Neal presents the budget to council<sup>1</sup>

Overall Budget Presentation

I. Kasper: Bomber will have lost 55,000 more than last year, what are we doing about this?

C. Neal: The management teams are undergoing strategic planning, goals are positive, but there more is about it in my exec report. If you like, we can talk about this later. One thing to keep in mind is that we have serious constraints on our operations by UW admin. They require we have a manager there at all times. Also they're sitting on 77, 000 in amortization from renovations.

S. Cook: We are also trying to get clubs and services to use the bomber and access the FED Hall funds for this.

S. Andrey: Also remember we have had construction outside by the patio which affects our business.

C. Neal Presentation of Presidents budget:

S. Cook: What is the financial contribution of the co curricular transcript?

A. Babor: The special projects funds are on my to do list, the money is there in case it is needed for these projects. I don't anticipate any thing over a 1000, but if there is something significant then I will bring that to council.

I. Kasper: Why do you need so much for meetings and promotions?

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<sup>1</sup> Budget Presentation included a power point presentation and a complete budget, posted separately from this document. To obtain a copy of the budget visit [www.feds.ca/governance](http://www.feds.ca/governance) or contact [vpaf@feds.ca](mailto:vpaf@feds.ca) or the FEDS Executive Researcher/Assistant.

M. Waller: Additionally, how much have you spend this term on that?

C. Neal: I don't remember.

A. Babor: Under \$400. I want to have funding if I need food at an event for Senate, or other committees that many have many attendees. I would be content going back to the actuals of 2007-2008.

C Neal: If anyone wants to amend this, i would not advise amending for anything less than \$1000.

I. Kasper: I move to amend the entertainment/promo/meetings line from \$2200 to \$1200. Seconded by C. Daugherty.

I. Kasper: I think it a good idea for the President to be able to take people out, but I'm not sure food is a good idea. I also think this is a more reasonable number.

C. Daugherty: I agree with Kasper's sentiments.

Speaker: any further debate? Motion carries 14-0-2 (A. Babor notes abstention)

I. Kasper: I move to amend the retreat line from \$6000 to \$4500. Second by A. Lafoyanis

I. Kasper: I think its good to get our executive meeting, but I don't like the idea of them going away somewhere. I don't see the money value and I'm not willing to put the money into it.

A. Lafoyanis: I don't think its right to send people to the cottage for the weekend. I don't think it would look good to students. They wouldn't want to hear this.

C. Neal: I would speak adamantly against this amendment. We are bombarded time and time again, we don't mind it, its our job, but its hard to spend time thinking and working together under these conditions. It would be good to get out.

We went to Stratford to do the thinking we needed to do. I wouldn't have been able to do my job as well if we had never gone away. I think it's important for us to do this. I understand the concerns about waste, but as your fiscally conservative VP AF I think this is a good use of money.

M. Waller: speaking against the amendment, I think there is the opportunity to get things done, but for the long-term planning it is important to have the time to get away and think about it, we need to spend more time thinking about how to serve students in the long run.

C. Daugherty: Speaking for the money against the amendment, I think it is important that the executives can get away, have a change of environment for that change to be a positive one, so we should have the money to do this.

I. Kasper: I was under the impression that the best possible honorarium is \$1000, not \$1500.

S. Andrey: Its anywhere up to \$500 for the best transition and its marked by the incoming executive.

I. Kasper: It was my intent to remove enough funds to retain \$500 after transition honoraria.

Speaker: Then it sounds you were looking to amend the motion from \$6000 to \$5000. Is that is friendly with all?

M. Waller: If we want to change how much we pay for transition then we should address that separately?

C. Neal: There is a Board Procedure that says if the executive do a great job, we'd be spending \$2000, despite our budget of \$1500 regardless of council approval or not.

Speaker: Seeing no objections from the seconder or the floor we will take that as amended to reduce the budget line to \$5000, not \$4500.

I. Kasper: I don't want to spend too much money on this, I think \$500 is enough for you to go somewhere, staying at a friends place or something. The VPED is at yet another conference.

M. Waller: I'd like to hear what Councillor Kasper is trying to address?

I. Kasper: This is money for the fall retreat, not the transition. I think \$500 was enough.

A. Lafoyannis: What are you planning on doing on this retreat? Were you planning on going to a cottage or something?

A. Babor: we don't have the plans yet, other than to debrief relax and address major projects.

A. Lafoyannis: So you have no plans and you just want money based on that.

C. Neal: we spent \$3000 to transition in Stratford, so we figured with half the number of people, we'd divide the budget by two.

A. Babor: This is new, we'll see how it goes. If we need more funds, we'll approach council, if we need less we'll be fiscally prudent.

Motion to amend failed 5-10-1 (S. Cook notes abstention)

Speaker: any further questions for the Presidents budget lines?

C. Neal presents the Elections budget:

No questions

C. Neal presents ExRA budget:

No questions

C. Neal presents Student Government budget:

No questions

C. Neal presents First Year Working Group budget:

No questions

C. Neal presents VP A&F budget:

No questions

C. Neal presents VP Internal budget:

Sean Uyeda: (recognized by M. Waller) I asked for funding to go to the Canadian Queen Services Conference in BC. Has this been taken into consideration?

S. Cook: This was not in your budget, so it was not accounted in GLOW budget or anywhere else.

C. Neal: You can use the EOI funding process to request funds for conferences.

S. Cook: The reason we have the backup fund is for the error of overspending from last year with the EOI. We will be spending some money on EOI requests with SLEF money. I don't think \$5000 will be sufficient.

A. Jacob: What is the IFC?

C. Neal: It is the Internal Funding Committee.

S. Andrey: S. Cook, you think \$5000 is too little?

S. Cook: We spent more than last year. The interest rates went down and the real return was lower than the expected/projected numbers. There was no communication from UW Finance to inform him of the situation.

C. Neal: If needed, S. Cook could move more money from her special projects line to the EOI back up fund through Board if there are still concerns about enough funding for EOI initiatives.

Presentation of the Clubs and Services Department:

C. Neal would like to amend the special projects conference and development to \$1000. This should have been done earlier but was missed. Dave would like to attend a conference benefiting clubs and services. Seconded by S. McKee.

S. Cook: We've had a hard time understanding how things are working with the Student Refugee Program. The conference is in Ottawa. Another conference is in Chicago for UWSP and Dave.

Amendment carried 16-0-0

Sean Uyeda: I was wondering what the end of term service coordinator report funding is.

S. Cook: we are working on the metric for the service coordinator reports. I think the metric will be \$100 for exceptional reports, \$50 for satisfactory reports.

Sean Uyeda: Considering we do more work like C. Neal said, do you think \$50 dollars is justification for that work?

C. Neal: The budget committee agreed it was reasonable. We used to pay nothing. We can revisit this in future, it is a baby step.

Ryan Huckle, CRT Coordinator: I want to go on record for saying it is expected we do this, we don't need to be paid.

S. Cook: The reason we're attaching this money to service reports is that we have not been getting them in the past or they have not been of high quality.

Daugherty: Are the service coordinators paid, or volunteer?

S. Cook: Volunteer.

C. Daugherty: Then it sounds that payment is not something that is expected. No money should be expected from a volunteer position.

S. Cook: Dave and I are working on the criteria for the report. We'll give examples and provide expectations.

S. Andrey: Is there a reason the SRP is not in this budget?

C. Neal: Yes, it is a separate budget that will come in a different meeting after we finish with the main budget business.

S. Andrey: I'd like to see the budget.

C. Neal: I need to discuss this with the committee and consider the presentation of this budget in the budget procedure.

Presentation of Services' budgets:

I. Kasper: I'd like to amend the volunteer appreciation line from \$1400 to \$600. Seconded by C. Neal.

C. Neal: I miscalculated, the line should have been \$600.

S. Cook: We have more volunteers than you think, so they'd need \$1140.

I. Kasper: Do our volunteers have value? I don't want to sound mean.

S. Cook: They run a number of smaller events.

I. Kasper: I would like to give the food bank the benefit of the doubt and remove the motion.

Speaker: Would council be comfortable withdrawing the motion?

I. Kasper: So can we change the dollar figure in our motion to \$1100?

Speaker: Seeing council is comfortable we'll take that amendment to the motion as friendly and approved.

Move to vote on main motion. Motion carried unanimously.

GLOW budget presentation:

Sean Uyeda: So its interesting that you propose we have more events in Bomber and such given a recent survey and our finding that people using our service are not comfortable to our venues. Its also cold. We not only serve students, but we hold events and take into consideration the community and the community does not like to come to campus.

C. Neal: The study regarding the bomber is being considered by the management and the staff of the venue. We're working to rectify the situation and increase the number of bookable nights at the bomber.

To address your last point, I don't care about your community mandate when our student money should be used to serve students.

S. Cook: This is also a decision of the IAC to be focusing on our students over the community.

I. Kasper: Thanks for your comment Sean, there have been issues in the past. I'm hesitant to begin forcing our services to begin using the Bomber, especially with GLOW. Do the GLOW services coordinators have an estimated budget as to how much this conference would entail?

S. Andrey: Considering we just came up with \$300 why don't we amend the queen dance section from \$500 to \$800 dollars. (Seconded by S. Cook) I understand both sides of the argument and I think GLOW could hold a dance off campus for \$800 dollars.

Sean Uyeda: That actual amount is for the entire year. Originally we requested \$1000 dollars.

M. Waller: What are you trying to address, do you want another \$200?

S. McKee: First, how many dances does GLOW plan?

Sean Uyeda: I don't know. Generally one per term, maybe two in the fall term with the incoming students.

C. Daugherty: Are these dances open to anyone?

Sean Uyeda: Of course, but they are not targeted to everyone.

C. Neal: The dances are something like a night at a gay bar.

Sean Uyeda: These dances are to provide a space for LGBTQ community people, and we don't want this space to be shared with negative attitudes.

Speaker: lets keep debate on the amendment. Seeing no more discussion. The motion carries unanimously.

Sean U: I understand that there is a focus to serve students, but GLOW has a history of working with the service receiving resources from the community.

I. Kasper: Point of order: Can we keep this to the budget discussion?

Speaker: I'll take this as relevant to the discussion of GLOW resources

Sean Uyeda: By having events at places that are considered homophobic...there are new staff turning over regularly...by having GLOW events at bomber I think that is rude.

Speaker: there seems to be need for another discussion outside of council to discuss the focus and service of FEDS services.

Sean Uyeda: Special projects line was \$2000 last year, but was put down to \$1500 this year. I'd like to request this be increased back to \$2000.

C. Neal: So far with our amendments, we are at a net unchanged 2.88 final profit/loss. Only \$1700 was spend last year, so we figured \$1500 was pretty reasonable considering much of it was just special events and you already have special events lines for the budget.

S. Cook: For further clarification the one waterloo campaign would work with coming out week, so I thought if the university was putting money out first, we'd use that before putting student money.

S. Andrey: Were there some queer dance expenses spent through the special projects fund?

I. Kasper: Before we move on I would like to ask VP Neal to apologize for his remarks.

C. Neal: I apologize sincerely if I have used language to offend any one.

C. Neal presents UWSP budget

C. Neal presents OCD budget

C. Neal presents Women's Centre budget

C. Neal presents ISC budget

C. Neal presents Cultural Caravan/Commissions budget

C. Neal presents CASA/OUSA budget

C. Neal presents Government Affairs budget

I. Kasper: Does the wage line include any dollars for special events?

C. Neal: Yes. The wages will depend on the hires, the remainder will be moved at Board to be moved to the special events line.

C. Neal presents the Orientation budget

I. Kasper: Is there any other recognition for a Federation Orientation Committee member?

C. Neal: Jackets and a hat and jamborees.

C. Neal presents Special Events/Programming budget

A. Babor: Good work on amalgamating the budgets. This is exciting. The budget represents the new hire.

C. Neal presents the Marketing budget

I. Kasper: If council were to put money into GLOW's conference line, and a conference is budgeted for CRT, if we felt it was appropriate should council like to see money in the conference line now or wait until a application to the IFC is received.

S. Cook: There was never an amount allocated for a conference, so I don't feel I have any information to make this decision. I asked all Service Coordinators to include all their asks in their budgets, this was not asked for.

I. Kasper: I'd like to see this discussion is noted in the minutes.

A. Babor: I heard a comment about the VPED travel costs, I would like to mention that Justin is working hard to keep costs low.

Main motion on the budget carried unanimously.

I. Kasper: Can we have a 10 min. recess? Seconded by S. Andrey.

Motion carried 14-3-0.

## **9. a**

N. Soave: Whereas the Federation of Students is mandated to represent and empower students,

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(2<sup>nd</sup> J. Goetz)

N. Soave: This came up quickly this week. We have not been officially sanctioned by the University, but have been working hard on the project and closely with the university.

J. Goetz: We're looking for a great new building, and its important to students to see that we are practicing what we preach.

S. Andrey: Who exactly has said the working group should no longer be working on this?

N. Soave: Dan Parent, the university architect, we don't know why. But he's supported by UW VP AF Dennis Huber.

S. McKee: When does the shovel hit the ground?

N. Soave: We've technically already started as we've moved some landscaping.

A. Lafoyannis: Was the working group slowing down in its progress?

N. Soave: I don't want to say that. There have been some disagreements with the ideas of the working group and the design group. Our turnaround is usually within a day, so its not that we are slowing them down.

The last thing we worked on was for a building RFP to pick the design team. We have not seen the RFP that UW has actually sent out.

A. Babor: As representative of students I sit on the advisory committee on design (PACD). Conditions on this ENV construction include a time limit to compete the project in time to receive funding. I also understand there are some concerns about the certification of the building, as certification is a large portion of the expense to produce a well designed building. Prudent management would consider spending more on building improvements over design certification of such improvements.

The PACD would review designs of a number of design companies and then choose the best project for the lowest cost based on their design work.

N. Soave: The working group has worked out that the additional cost of LEED certification is only \$50k.

M. Waller: I think supporting a group we have no control over is problematic, but there is merit in the motion and we should support the work of the students. It's important to support students providing input into the planning process. Student input on buildings being constructed on our campus is an ideal we should strive towards.

A. Lafoyannis: There was some hoopla before in a construction of an engineering building where we were not consulted until after the project was completed. We now have one student on the committee to review new building constructions.

C. Neal: It appears to me we have a very faculty specific issue in the sense that students in the faculty of Environment would like to see student input into the new building. As this has come forward from the Environment councillors we should be supporting them on behalf of all students. I give full support for this motion as I am sure the councillors have fully consulted their constituents and have come to FEDS for our support.

C. Daugherty: No amendment. I also support this motion on two fronts. It may be true this is a faculty specific event, but students need to be heard. This will set a precedent for future developments, and as A. Lafoyannis mentioned these concerns have been had by Engineering students. The student voice needs to be heard, and the university needs to actively want to fully consider that voice.

I. Kasper: I am speaking generally in favour of this motion but disagree with C. Neal. I don't think we should support a facious dictator if a group of faculty councillors present the idea. I do support students on reasonable motions. I think we do support the general principals behind this motion and this signifies FEDS getting into the game.

Amber Cantell: I am an involved student on this issue and happy to see FEDS interest to date. If LEED was something they wanted to pursue then the University should have put LEED requirements into the RFP.

The LEED certification we're pushing for only costs 5-7% of costs. This will pay for itself in 6 years or so. 20% return on some aspects of efficient design. We helped the FEDS receive a 3% ROI on their projects last year. At the end of the day it will be impossible to build a building that is not LEED Certified is we don't plan for it. We would also be speaking to the community, University marketing in MacLeans would benefit from this. Ryerson has recently been doing this certification and there is funding for these projects.

A. Qi: It seems the problem is that the University is coming to students, but students don't know how UW will make decisions with this input.

N. Soave: We have our recommendations. We'd like to be involved in the selection process but don't have a chance with that. We're concerned the work and recommendations we've come up with won't be heard. We'd like to know that our comments will be considered and heard.

M. Akbar: We're asking that students have a say in their own building. I think that's why we're here right now.

Steve Krysak (N. Soave recognition): I'd like to mention that this is more than just a faculty consideration as others have highlighted, but this is to be a building used by multiple faculties and a highlight of our environmental commitment on campus.

A. Babor: I'd like to move to remove the first BIRT statement. Second by M. Akbar.

A. Babor: I agree with just about everything that's been said. I have some reservations about supporting the decisions of the working group because I don't know what they are.

M. Waller: I would strongly object to removing this first statement. I think it is clear from the faculty of the environment that they would like to see their decisions supported.

A. Lafoyannis: I would be in favour of keeping the first BIRT, but amend to remove only the words "and decisions".

M. Waller: Point of information: Can you speak to what the motion is speaking to?

Speaker: I am hearing that support of the motion is only for those decisions already made.

I. Kasper: Our president as a representative of all students, needs to make choices, the president needs to weight the benefits to all students against the benefit of all students. This is why I support this motion.

S. McKee: I speak in favour of this amendment. The sore point is whether the administration is listening to students. The point is they need to listen to students and it sounds like they are not.

S. Andrey: I'm going to speak against this amendment because I don't see how we'd continue to support students without it. These students know best what is to come from this, so I'm not concerned about the Presidents responsibility to serve all students, the extra funding will come from the faculty of Environment.

N. Soave: I don't support the amendment either. If you take it out it means you are not supporting the work, because the work recommends the LEED certification. If you take that out, it will no longer hold you to what the students want.

Speaker: seeing no further discussion. ...

The motion to amend the main motion failed 0-13-3

Speaker: Back to the main motion.

A. Lafoyannis: I'd like to make the amendment only to strike the words, "and decisions" from the BIRT of the main motion. Seconded by C. Daugherty. I don't want to see this voted down only because of the word decisions.

I. Kasper: I move to call the question, Seconded by A. Iseyemi

Motion to call the question: 11-4-1

Amendment motion carried: 8-6-2

J. Goetz: I'd just like to say all faculty, staff and students of Environment agree with this, it is government and faculty money. We should be in favour of this.

I. Kasper: I call the question. Seconded by A. Lafoyannis.

Motion to call the question 9-5-1 fails to achieve a 2/3 majority.

N. Soave: I move to amend to read the President "will support" in the first BIRT and BIFRT. Second by J. Goetz.

N. Soave: Without any directions it is useless. This is to say to the President that we want him to represent those concerns.

Motion to amend carried 15-0-1.

Speaker: Going back to the main motion, any further debate? The amended motion now reads:

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Motion carried 16-0-0

## **9.b BEnt**

C. Neal: BIRT \_\_\_\_\_ be the Students' Council member of the Board of Entertainment;  
and

BIFRT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be the students-at-large on the Board of Entertainment  
Moved by C. Neal, seconded by M. Waller.

C. Neal: I'm excited about the work ahead for Bent and would like interested persons for  
the committee to help me to amend our procedure.

Nominations included. B. Macdonald.

Speaker: Seeing no further nominations or objections we'll take that as amended for the  
student council position.

Nominations for at-large include: Vanessa Chan, Theresa Power.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **9.c Internal Administration Committee**

S. Cook: BIRT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be ratified as the Students' Council members  
of the Internal Funding Committee for the fall 2009 term.

BIFRT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be ratified as the at-large members of the Internal  
Funding Committee for the fall 2009 term.

S. Cook moves, A. Babor second.

Nominations for council members include: A. Qi, C. Daugherty.

Speaker: Seeing no further nominations we'll take the two names for the two blanks.

Nominations for at-large include: Geordie Graham, and Brad Moggach.

Speaker: Seeing no further nominations we'll take the two names for the two blanks.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **9.d. Internal Funding Committee**

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Funding Committee for the fall 2009 term.

1<sup>st</sup> S. Cook, 2<sup>nd</sup> I. Kasper.

Nominations for council members include: M. Waller, A. Jacob, J. Goetz

Speaker: We'll move to an election.

Nominations for at-large include: Geordie Graham, Andrew Kim.

Speaker: Seeing no further nominations we'll take the two names for the two blanks.

Taking John Andersen and C. Neal as CRO and scrutineer.

Each candidate was given a brief 1 min. Max explanation of why they would like to sit on the committee.

Speaker: After election, M. Waller and J. Goetz received the highest number of votes and will be slotted into the blank.

Motion carried 14-0-2 (Waller and Goetz note abstention)

#### **9.e. Fall 2009 Council Meeting Dates**

A. Babor: September 27, October 18, November 15 and December 6 are the suggested dates for councillor meetings in the fall.

A. Iseymi: What about homecoming?

A. Babor: You'll all be here.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **9.f. Council Procedure 17**

A. Babor moves to table council procedure 17, policy 10, 2 and 3 (items 9.f., 9.g., 9.h., 9.i for the next meeting.

Seeing no discussion the motion carried unanimously

#### **9.j. Ratification of Service Coordinators**

(4:16pm Councillors Qi and AHS Councillor depart)

S. Cook BIRT that council accept the following service coordinators:

Food Bank

– Christina Sohn

Women's Centre	- Cathleen DiFruscio, & Mona Anton
Student Refugee Program	- Nevena Savija, & Miyar De'nyok
Campus Response Team	- Ryan Huckle & Christine Liu
Off Campus Dons	- David Jager & Sarah Thompson

Motion carried 14-0-0

I. Kasper moves to adjourn the meeting. Second by C. Daugherty.

A. Babor: I appreciate the meeting has gone long. The meeting should not be unscrutinized for our reports. Should anyone wish to stay to discuss our reports, we'll be around after the meeting.

I. Kasper: All reports have been received by council via the mailing list. There should be nothing further to add.

Motion to adjourn 6-2-2 carries.

## **COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

WHEREAS Federation of Students By-Law 1. Section C assigns Students' Council the power to form "committees as it may think fit for conduct of its business."

WHEREAS The responsibilities, membership, accountability and meeting requirements of Standing Committees are set out in Federation of Students By-Law 1. Section L.

WHEREAS In any conflict between this procedure and the By-Laws, the By-Laws shall supercede.

WHEREAS The responsibilities, membership, accountability and meeting requirements of the Elections Committee, the Election Appeals Committee, the Referendum Committee and the Referendum Appeals Committee are set out in Council Procedures 6 and 7 respectively.

### **A. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE**

1. Committees shall have at minimum three members, one of which shall serve as chairperson.
2. Chairpersonship is traditionally held by, but not restricted to, members of the Federation of Students Executive.

### **B. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

1. Students' Council will approve all committee members, with the exception of ex-officio committee members.
2. When a sufficient number of non-Councillors are nominated to fill the at-large positions of a Committee, Councillors will be ineligible to run for the at-large positions.
3. Committee membership terms shall not last more than one year.

### **C. COMMITTEE RECORDING AND REPORTING**

1. Committees shall keep a written record of decisions made and their decision-making rationale.
2. Committees, while active, shall report to Students' Council on a monthly basis. This report must include the decision record.

3. The Chairperson is responsible for Committee recording and reporting. The Chairperson may delegate this duty to any committee member.

#### **D. FORMATION OF NEW COMMITTEES**

1. Students' Council may form any ad hoc committee as it may think fit for the conduct of its business.
2. A vote to form an ad hoc committee shall be treated as an Operating Resolution as defined in Council Procedure 8, Section 3b.
3. At time of formation, Students' Council may assign a new committee: responsibilities, membership, accountability and meeting requirements.
4. Students' Council may assign new committees recording and reporting responsibilities over and above those required in Section C.

#### **E. COMMITTEE STATUS**

1. Any committee that has yet to fulfill its responsibilities shall be considered active. Any committee that Students' Council has judged to have fulfilled its responsibilities shall be considered dormant.
2. Students' Council may assign dormant committees new responsibilities.
3. Any committee which has remained active for three consecutive terms and which has ongoing responsibilities is eligible to become a Standing Committee of Council.
4. On a regular basis the President, in consultation with chairpersons of all eligible committees, shall review all eligible committees and shall recommend which eligible committees should become Standing Committees and which eligible committees should be modified or disbanded.
5. Committees recommended to become Standing Committees shall be discussed and decided upon at the Federation of Students General Meeting immediately following the recommendation.
6. Committees recommended to be modified or disbanded shall be discussed and decided upon at the Students' Council meeting immediately following the recommendation.
7. Any committee that remains dormant for more than four consecutive months shall be considered disbanded.

FEDERATION OF STUDENTS  
**POLICY**

Number: 2  
Effective: April 3, 2005  
Replaces: March 12, 2000

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**HOURS OF TEACHING BUILDINGS**

WHEREAS the Federation of Students recognizes the right of all students to receive equal access to their respective faculty teaching buildings; the Dana Porter Library, the Davis Centre Library, the Map and Design Libraries; the Masagets Library; and

WHEREAS there are at present some discrepancies, with some buildings being open 24 hours per day and some closing for the night and on weekends; and

WHEREAS the libraries are not open 24 hours per day during the academic term;

Be It Resolved That:

The teaching buildings of all faculties be open on a 24-hour basis to best facilitate a student's access to study areas.

FEDERATION OF STUDENTS  
**POLICY**  
2003

Number: 3  
Effective: September 21,

Replaces: March 12, 2000

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**STATEMENT OF AUTONOMY**

WHEREAS the Charter of Incorporation of the Federation of Students approved by the Board of Governors of the University of Waterloo charges the Federation of Students with the responsibility for administering its own affairs; and

WHEREAS the Federation of Students cannot tolerate any arbitrary interference in its internal operations that opposes the spirit of the Charter of Incorporation;

Be It Resolved That:

While the Federation of Students welcomes the opportunity to hear advice and discuss policies, no external entity form of a committee dealing with the Federation of Students will be permitted to exercise any control over the activities of the Federation of Students.

FEDERATION OF STUDENTS Number: 10

**POLICY**

Effective: August 9, 2009

Replaces: March 13, 2005

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**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS it is understood that the Federation of Students continually strives to improve the service given to students on an ongoing basis;

Be It Resolved That:

The Federation of Students Council supports the opportunity for full-time staff members to take courses to enhance their ability to perform their duties in an efficient and professional manner. To facilitate this, the Federation should pay the enrolment fee and charges for texts and essential course-related materials in accordance with Board Procedures.

9.j. (C. Neal) Budget

BIRT council accepts the Federation of Students Service Budget for the 2009-2010 academic year as presented by the Budget Committee.

9.k. (S. Cook; provides list) Ratification of Service Coordinators



## Federation of Students Executive & Councillor Reports

Date: August 06, 2009

**Synopsis:** A review of the past week in office, and the weeks ahead. Ideas for new formats are being tested to allow for in-depth accountability and transparency.

Federation of Students  
University of Waterloo

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**Executive Report**  
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**1. Month Summary**

What does UW mean to you? That's what thousands of students have been asking themselves over the past month since the recent "leak" of the draft proposal for the new UW Logo. Chris Neal and I have been working with the UW taskforce and other key UW administration to work towards next steps in addressing students concerns and ideas surrounding the next phase of UW's Six Decade Plan and marketing strategies. There is certainly more to come on this topic in the weeks to come.

August is a quite time on campus, with many UW and Feds Staff taking time to relax and prepare for a busy September. This year is a truly a monumental one for UW and the Federation of Students. Changes in administration and departmental heads will certainly have a positive, and noticeable effect on the culture of our campus and the Federation over the coming weeks.

My role as President has kept me on my toes. Whether it's a late night Federation Orientation Committee meeting, or a discussion surrounding preparations for Canada's next wave of the H1N1 pandemic, everyday is full of something new, exciting, and challenging. Developments surrounding the student services complex are quickly picking up pace. This will without a doubt be a centre focus of discussion for our students this fall.

**Feds Executive 2009-2010 Strategic Plan**

**Partners:** Justin Williams, Sarah Cook, Chris Neal, Suzanne Burdett,

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5

**Priority:** High

**Synopsis:**

- The exec team is working towards a public document to outline our goals and ambitions for the term. The process is one, which will help our team focus, and clearly outline what we hope to achieve for the upcoming nine months.
- Below are the agreed upon focuses which we are working towards incorporating into our term: Collaboration, Governance, Development, Vision, Communication/Marketing, Reflective, Centralization, Environment

## 2. Committees / Councils / Boards:

### Pandemic Planning Committee

**Responsibilities:** The University of Waterloo has a history of preparing for potentially difficult situations to ensure that proper care is afforded to its faculty, staff and students. Recent news reports and information disseminated by the World Health Organization, the federal and provincial governments and the Waterloo Region Public Health Unit indicate that the threat of influenza pandemic is considerable and these organizations are recommending that institutions prepare accordingly. What follows is the University of Waterloo's plan which, as much as possible, provides guidance on how the University will coevent a pandemic arrives, recognizing that there will be many unknown factors.

**Partners:** Ryan Huckle, Barbra Schumacher, Catherine Scott, UW Services, UW Administration

**Goal:** Ensure Federation of Students is actively involved in dissemination of information and acts as a resource to students.

- Efforts are being made to revise the Feds priorities in the UW Pandemic Plan. It is currently too vague in comparison to other department plan/policies on campus
- Proactive steps to address the concerns of a second wave of H1N1 in the fall term including, screening of first years entering residence, increased hand sanitizer across campus, and the mitigation of close contact activities during orientation week.

### PADACO (President's Advisory Committee on Design)

**Responsibilities:** The primary charge of the Committee is to review proposed construction, renovation, landscape, interior design, and public art projects. In this role, the Committee's responsibility lies in the consideration of a project's design merits and its effect on the existing campus environment.

**Partners:** Dennis Huber, Faculty Societies, UW Vice-President, Administration & Finance (Chair), President (ex-officio), Director of Technical Services, Plant Operations, University Architect, Plant Operations, Director, School of Architecture (or delegate), three members from the University community having expertise in design, appointed by the President.

**Goal:** Facilitate the distribution of infrastructure funding announcement from the Federal and Provincial governments for three capital projects (Engineering 6, Math Expansion and Environment Expansion) totalling \$50 million. Each project must commence construction during the summer of 2009 and be "substantially complete" by March 2011 to qualify for funding

- Designs for Chemical Engineering 1 were recently brought forward and a recommendation as been sent to Buildings and Properties.

- Design Choice is based on the following: Price of product, project design, consulting team, quality of submission, and quality of presentation.

### **Student Life Centre Management Board (Co-Chair)**

**Partners:** Catherine Scott, SLCMB, Ann Simpson, Scott Pearson, Sam Andrey, Geordie Graham, Denis Huber, Suzanne Burdett, Chris Neal, GSA

**Timeline:** Monthly meetings; ongoing

**Synopsis:** Improve functionality of the SLC for undergraduates, while responsibly managing resources, and helping set long-term direction.

- You will soon see some new maps and signage throughout the Student Life Centre, including a revamp of the bulletin boards, stronger labelling around businesses and services, and a colour coded maps.
- This years big project will be the renovations to the great hall. This process is now in its initial stages, and map include a new floor, increased functionality, and modern design.
- Picnic tables and a bbq are beign considered as an addition to the courtyard this fall term.

### **Committee of Presidents (Chair)**

**Partners:** *Voting:* Waterloo Architecture Students Association, Arts Student Union, Engineering Society A or B, Environmental Studies Society, Math Society, Science Society; Applied Health Sciences Undergraduate Members; and Society for Independent Studies. **Presidents of the Student Associations of the Federated and Affiliated Colleges and of St. Jerome's University; and Presidents of the Residence Councils. *Nonvoting:* President of the Graduate Students' Association; The School of Accountancy; The School of Optometry; and The School of Urban and Regional Planning.**

**Timeline:** BiWeekly Meetings 0 1 2 3 4 5

**Synopsis:**

- **Currently finalizing revamped societies agreement, which helps guide the relationships between faculty societies and the Federation of Students.**
- **The University has requested we maintain strong relations with our societies, specifically ensuring that financial records are accurate and fiscally responsible. We are investigating if there is a need for an audit, and if so, what that process will be to handle it in an equitable manner.**

### **3. Continued Projects / Initiatives:**

#### **Student Services Complex & Health Services Expansion**

**Partners:** Sam Andrey , Justin Williams, Sarah Cook, Chris Neal, Suzanne Burdett, , Brittany Boilard, Mat Waller, Melissa Onn, Catherine Scott, Jonathan

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Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5

Priority: High

**Synopsis:**

- We are coming to the closing stages of negotiations and developments surrounding the new Student Services Complex, and Health Services Expansion.
- Logistics are being finalized around committee developments, square footage allotments and tenancy, financial commitments, and location.
- Details of each project will be present to the campus through a variety of mediums beginning the first week of classes this fall 2009. Our goal will be to gather student input surrounding the building and run a public forum and among other avenues to make this a building that is right for our students.

**4. Ongoing Projects:**

**Orientation (Co-Chair)**

**Responsibilities:** Orientation week is a full 6 days of programming designed to introduce first year students to their new surroundings. With the guidance and support of over 1000 upper-year students, first years learn more about their faculty, housing, and have the opportunity to make life-long friends. It begins on Monday September 7th and ends on Saturday September 12th.

**Timeline:** Monthly quartet meetings, weekly Tuesday evening FOC meetings, September 1 – 12<sup>th</sup>

**Partners:** Becky Wrote, Catherine Scott, Cora Dupuis, Heather Fitzgerald, Barbara McDonald, FOC, SLO, UW Administration, Police Services, Health Services, etc.

**Goal:**

- Efforts are currently underway to mitigate concerns and problems with City of Waterloo surrounding bylaws
- Investigating setting a Guinness world record at Toga party :)
- Everything is on track and our FOC are the best we've seen at Waterloo. Orientation week is shaping up to be the biggest and best welcome for our first year students.

**5. Upcoming Projects:**

**Town Hall Forums**

**Responsibilities:** Create an outlet for students to get informed about current overarching issues, through presentations from administration, feds, and interest groups on campus, while maintaining a structured outlet for student feedback, and executive Q&A.

**Timeline:** Monthly (September – April)

**Resources:** \$100.00 per month – Food, \$25 – \$50 Marketing

**Partners:** Feds, University Admin, Communications Public Affairs, Athletics, Housing, Student Life Office.

**Goal:** Provide a regular outlet for disseminating information to students at-large, while focusing on specific issues of important to Feds. Create opportunity for engagement and active listening opportunities. Create a new tradition and outlet for communication.

- Topics of discussion are currently be solidified. We will be advertising the year ahead on one large poster across campus.
- This is yet another medium we hope to use to address current needs of students by disseminating information through a guest speaker, and collecting feedback.

## **6. Highlights:**

**Ombudsperson** – Job description is in the final stages of completion for a transformation from “Ombudsperson” to “Student Resource Office” which will allow for greater flexibility in support which can be offered to students around academic, social, and legal concerns.

**Student Life 101** was a huge success! Six student directors and 350 volunteers were responsible for the successful introduction of a significant portion (over 6500 registered) of the new students expected to begin studies at the University of Waterloo this fall.

**VP Internal – Sarah Cook  
Executive Report  
August 2009**

**Summary**

July has been a busy month winding down the clubs and services. The WPIRG and FedS movie nights brought out 50 and 70 people respectively. We just had volunteer appreciation dinners for club/service/society execs and a dinner for the service coordinators. My team and I have been working on clubs and services bylaw and procedure to be ready for the fall. Service coordinator training is going ahead with OHD for the fall. Johnny and I have also been putting our heads together for marketing/volunteer retention for ONE Waterloo. Val and I will be training the new Clubs and Services assistant, Dave, and working on a bunch of projects during the quiet time in August. Any questions, please ask!

Sarah

**Major Projects:**

**1. Clubs and Services Bylaw and Procedure**

**Partners:** Val, Dave, IAC

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5

**Priority:** High

**Synopsis:**

- Clubs procedure has not been reviewed in some time and is completely inaccurate
- Services only have bylaw on what their mandates are, and how we elect service coordinators. There is no procedures for services, which has left many services to create their own or operate under “Dave law”
- Val and I have written complete procedures for services, which we will be sending to the services for their feedback and then to BPP
- We will be reviewing clubs procedure as well as the service bylaw with IAC, Services and then BPP

**2. Food Bank Revitalization**

**Partners:** Food Bank, Val, Dave, Sarah

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

**Priority:** High

**Synopsis:**

- In recent years the food bank has been neglected by the FedS.
- The food bank has been taken on as a priority by our department

- I have been working on integrating food bank donations into service events, food drives, awareness events, and wrote a piece on the food bank for Imprint.
- I have also been collecting data from other student unions on how they run their food banks for some fresh ideas
- We will be continuing to plan food drives and working on awareness over the course of the year
- Food bank has moved, Val and I are planning a grand opening event for the food bank in September, and have ordered a banner and smocks for the volunteers

### **3. Office Move**

**Partners:** Dave, Val, Justin, Ann Simpson, Scott Pearson

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Working on logistics and policy for room with SLC management
- Will be reviewing useage patterns over next term and will re-evaluate the designation of the types of rooms (bookable offices, storage, meeting rooms etc.)

### **4. Service Coord Training and Stipends**

**Partners:** OHD, Clubs and Services dept

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

**Priority:** High

**Synopsis:**

- Scheduled 3 4-hour training sessions with OHD for service coordinators for Sept/Oct
- These sessions will be tied to the end of term report stipend
- Stipend will be granted (\$100) for an excellent report (\$50) for a satisfactory report
- Hopefully this will increase data storage and improve report quality, as well as ensuring leadership development in our coordinators

### **5. Website Updates VPIN specific**

**Partners:** Marketing

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

**Priority:** Low

**Synopsis:**

- Clubs/service resources website needs an update
- Updated all forms and contact information on website – waiting for marketing to complete
- Next step is to rewrite some of the funding information to expand on what each fund does and make it easier to understand
- Make the event form “available” or identifiable for societies

- Add camera and projector to event forms

### **1. Student Refugee Program**

**Partners:** WUSC, Dave, Val

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - **Ongoing**

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Met with Lisa Ter Woort regarding SRP's budget for the year. I had a chance to ask questions and understand what the expenditures are, and had a chance to talk about our systems (especially accounting)
- On-going discussions with Dave and Val re: potentially merging SRP and ISC
- Board motion to carry funds collected over from year to year when there is a surplus
- Will be sponsoring 2 students this year
- Trying to better engage the service coordinator – been an issue
- Sarah & Dave to attend WUSC conference in November
- Met with entire SRP committee to discuss what needs to happen to get the 2 students here – helped us understand their timelines and how things work

### **2. Satellite Campus Review/Services**

**Partners:** Society reps, Allan, Dave

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Improve quality of service for satellite campuses
- Dave and I have already spoken with Architecture, are working on creating a system whereby they may have clubs on satellite campuses
- Difficulty getting ahold of anyone at Arch – going to keep following up
- Also interested in investigating how our services can have a presence at satellite campuses
- Working with Dan Andersen to begin a taxi voucher service for Pharmacy students to deal with the late night security concern – needs to go to SSAC for approval
- Following up with Architecture again to start club system process
- Scheduled pharmacy meeting

### **3. ONE Waterloo Review**

**Partners:** Johnny Trinh, Council

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Concerns raised about the effectiveness and direction of the ONE Waterloo campaign
- Have had several meetings with Johnny, planning to take a day in July off to analyze the campaign and set direction for the year – rescheduled to next week
- Geordie has been working on marketing strategy and branding for the campaign, as well as governance structure
- I would appreciate feedback or suggestions about the campaign and will also be looking for volunteers

**Jumpstart Friday Presentation**

**Partners:** Student Life office

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Working on presentation for Jumpstart Friday on balancing academics and being involved on campus – introduction to clubs and services and how to volunteer smart

**Legal Resource Office**

**Partners:** Allan, Ian, Student Resource office

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Investigating the feasibility of resurrecting the legal resource office as a service
- Gathering data from service reviews on how the old LRO operated
- Working with student resource office on how we can perhaps integrate some aspects of the legal resource office since the job description is changing
- Potentially going to visit Laurier's LRO as they do not have a law school (similar to us) and see how it is working and what challenges they face

**Prayer Space – South Campus**

**Partners:** Justin, CECS

**Timeline:** 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

**Priority:** Medium

**Synopsis:**

- Working on transferring some of our space in the Tatham Centre into multi-faith prayer space
- CECS is on board, I am gathering feedback from the various religious groups on campus as to their needs in a prayer space

**Upcoming Projects:**

4. UWSP Environmental audit of Feds (starting with main office, then moving to services & businesses)
5. Investigate SLOs work on the campus climate survey and see where I can help – waiting for Heather to return from vacation
6. Learning Conflict Management's diversity training to become a facilitator
7. Health services wants to work with the Women's Centre more often – possible collaboration for Love Your Body week
8. ONE Waterloo and GLOW working together on Coming Out week; having a speaker come in to talk about being queer and out in the business world

**Extra:**

- I will be sending a comprehensive PD report on the EDGE conference ASAP

**Vice President Education – Justin Williams**  
**August 2009**

Hello Council,

First let me apologize for not being able to attend Council this Sunday. I will be on a plane on the way to Edmonton for the Partners Conference. At this conference I will be working to establish a terms of reference for the Partnership (a collection of provincial and federal student lobby groups), the blueprint for a campaign for a Pan Canadian Accord, and some firm commitments regarding a National Student Survey.

Additionally, I apologize for the shorter report this month. My work has been condensed into a couple of projects over the past month, as I have a couple of deadlines that are quickly approaching.

**Welcome Week / The Last Lecture:**

As part of the Welcome (back) Week idea that was started by last year's executive and is being carried as a project for this year, I have started to work on what I hope will be an annual event. I am working on creating an event in the spirit of the Last Lectures Series that happens at other schools throughout North America (made famous by Randy Pausch's lecture on following childhood dreams). To this end, I have started talking with the Faculty Association about how we can work together to make this happen.

**Commissioners and Coordinators:**

First, I would like to congratulate our confirmed commissioner  
Nick Soave – Government Affairs Commissioner

Nick and I will be working on creating an advocacy based street team, preparing for the OUSA conference in October, and developing a stronger partnership with Pathways to Education in Kitchener.

Second, I would like to congratulate our confirmed coordinator  
Xinxin Zhang – Municipal Affairs Coordinator  
Sam Andrey – OUSA Campus Coordinator

**Textbooks:**

I am working with a student to create a local campaign to help control the cost of academic materials on our campus. At commencement this campaign will hopefully involve the University Bookstore, Library and Faculty Association. I am hoping to have this ready for September.

**Pathways:**

I had a wonderful meeting with Laurier and the Director of Pathways to Education Kitchener. We are working on developing a conference in the Winter term for Pathways.

Additionally, I will be working to create proposal to formalize our relationship with Pathways. I hope to have this ready in the beginning of the Fall term.

**OUSA:**

After our strategy conference, the steering committee has set a work plan for the year. The work plan involves the creation of a number of policies, the development of our strategic plan for the next few years and our lobby goals for the year.

On the note of our lobbying goals, we have decided to focus the majority of our attention on the post reaching higher consultations. OUSA will lobby under the following headers of reaching higher: Tuition, Student Financial Aid, and Student Success.

**CASA:**

I went to Ottawa for a week in July to meet with the leadership team to refine goals for the year and develop strategies for improving the organization and our lobbying efforts. In addition to this, I am a part of a number of committees and CASA and chair the Constitution and Organizational Development Committee, which is currently working on reviewing the voting structure and constitution of CASA.

Beyond the CODC committee, I am working on supporting policy development through the Policy Committee and the Pan-Canadian Accord Committee.

**Academics:**

In the Fall I will be bringing a number of concerns to the University regarding academic supports, integrity and policy.

- 1) Academic supports - I would like to see more done to raise awareness for resources currently available to students.
- 2) Integrity – Keeping an eye on the turnitin.com advancements and the academic integrity boot camps that the University is creating
- 3) Academic policy – I am working with a group of students to investigate and promote a student choice policy for animal dissection on campus. Currently this has involved emailing a number of administrators to discuss the issues. In the fall, I am hoping to complete this project to allow students the option of not participating in animal dissection if they are morally opposed.

**For September:**

As an exciting piece of information, I will be seeking delegates for the OUSA conference that is taking place in October (delegates in the Fall are also invited to be delegates in the spring). If you are interested in policy development for Provincial Education or know someone who is, please get in contact with me.

## **Vice President Administration & Finance Summary:**

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## **Monthly Summary:**

This month has been crazy. However, fortunately progress has been made on things. Firstly, what will be presented at Council on Saturday would be the Operational Budget. In this budget we can see increases to the services, currently a lot of their resources are very worn down and broken so you will find a lot of funding going into fixing up the services and giving them the resources they need to execute their service. More details about the budget will be presented at Council.

Our organization's head count has changed. Unfortunately Darren Maher has left the Federation of Students and is pursuing bigger and better things, his last day was on Wednesday. Darren has been an employee of the Federation of Students for about 10 years starting off as a door staff and eventually moving his way through the ranks to become the Bomber manager. His contributions to the organization were important and he will be missed. With that said, now more pressure is being applied to render a decision for the direction of the business and take the time to think what do we want for this position. Currently I am working with the Campus Bar Operations Manager and the General Manager to determine the best interim solution for hour coverage while we take the time to strategically plan for the business and see what we want out of the position and what we can change.

On a bit of a brighter side, joining us is Laura McQuinn our Special Events Coordinator. She will be joining our Special Events (SpEv) department and the executive look forward to working with her. Her first major project will be welcome week but Justin and I look forward to working with her with respect to starting up the street team.

In other updates, FEDS operated the Bomber, Fed Express, and one of the Barbeque's during Student Life 101. We also hosted a party for the Student Life 101 volunteers at the Bomber. It seems with the event being a success and students smiling the entire event went well!

And on the topic of the logo, the UW Identity Task Force will be meeting and probably in part to discuss the fall out of the logo and steps moving forward. With the leak of the logo there has been a lot of discussion with respect to it, so now it is a matter of communicating clearly what has been going on with respect to student consultation and explaining that there is more to the process than just the logo. Although there is a lot of public negative feedback on the logo there is also a lot of

positive feedback coming in privately. Nevertheless the UW Identity Task Force will be discussing this and if you would like to discuss this topic further don't hesitate to contact me.

## **Projects**

### **Council Budget**

Partners: Budget Committee

Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

Priority: **High**

Synopsis

- Pending ratification at Council.

### **Corporate Budget**

Partners: Board of Directors, Business Managers, and General Manager

Timeline: COMPLETE

Priority: High

Synopsis

- The budgets of the business have been approved.

### **Bar Agreements**

Partners: Sam, Suzanne, and Board

Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5 - Ongoing

Priority: High

Synopsis:

- We are meeting with Bud next week. He just got a copy of the new contract from the legal team so now it's a matter of reviewing the document and bringing it to Board for approval.
- We got most of what we wanted, so it's very positive. The FEDS and UW have a very similar vision for our campus bars and we are starting to collaborate more where we can and try to solve problems early and often.

### **Special Events Coordinator/Programmer**

Partners: Allan, Staff, Board

Timeline: COMPLETE

Priority: **Medium**

Synopsis:

- Laura McQuinn was hired and she started Wednesday.

## **Aussies' Space**

Partners: Board

Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

Priority: **Medium**

Synopsis:

- Not much progress has been made on this. The Board needs to take some time and have the conversation of what direction to go with the space. I haven't received any ideas from Council members so if you have any ideas please send them my way.

## **The Bombshelter Pub – Strat Planning**

Partners: Food Operations Management Team, Bar Operations Management Team, General Manager

Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

Priority: **High**

Synopsis:

- We have goals for the following areas of emphasis
  - Communication
  - Identity
  - Service
  - Marketing
  - Consistency
  - Organizational Efficiency/Finance
  - Collaboration
- I can go into the goals for the above areas if you would like, just ask and I'll break what you'd like to know down for you.
- On a more positive note we're deciding what we want to do with the vacancy in our head count, which gives us the set to determine the goals we would want the vacancy to work on and determine the core competencies we will need for this position. It really is an opportunity though it came with an expense.

## **Street Team**

Partners: Laura, Justin, BEnt

Timeline: 0 1 2 3 4 5 – Ongoing

Priority: **Medium**

Synopsis

- We will be starting to work on details of how this will look, what they will do and where we can support them. It's exciting.

#### Upcoming Projects

- SLC Tim Horton's
- U-Pass Renewal
- Events outside of Feds businesses procedure (Joint with Sarah)
- Procedures governing Fed Hall/Bomber Fund
- Budget procedure overhaul

## **Federation of Students' Council**

### **Applied Health Sciences – Council Report**

**Annie Halim**

**August 2009**

#### **News and Information:**

AHSEF (Endowment Fund) voted unanimously to increase their funding donation to AHS Orientation by \$500 beginning this Fall 2009.

#### **Media and Events:**

##### **Research Symposium:**

##### **The Social Cure: Seniors, Social Connections, and Health**

Presenters: Dr Ilka Gleibs, Dr Catherine Haslam, Alex Haslam, Jondra Jetten & Dr Janelle Jones

Details: Learn how and why social activity improves and protects health and well-being. Meet world-renowned researchers in fields of social identity and well-being. Discuss new strategies for improving the quality of life in care homes with researchers and community leaders.

Date: Friday, August 9, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Location: Sunlife Financial Auditorium, LH 1621

#### **Recent Events:**

##### **AHS End Of Term @ Bomber**

Date: July 28, 2009

##### **General AHSUM Meeting**

Date: July 29, 2009

Councillor names: Praveen Arichandran, Anthony Iseyemi, Anna Lafoyiannis, Abhilash Jayakumar, Mohamed Farid

Month/Year: August 2009

August Generally is a slow month for the Engineering faculty due to the final examination schedule. Below are a list of events either held within the last few weeks or will be upcoming in the next few months:

PDEng External Review:

- Results expected can be expected as early September

Engineering Society 'A' A-Soc Events that were popular

- Motivational speakers
- Free float day
- Purpling for Alzheimer's
- There is the possibility of continuing these events in the future

Engineering Society 'B' B-Soc Executive and WEEF elections will be happening in the fall

- Constitutional amendment was made to allow students in 4s and 8s students to run for EngSoc Executive
- This passed on A-Soc and read at joint council
- Will be read and voted on during first two meetings of fall term

Orientation Week!

- ComEng will be held at FED Hall and will feature professional comedians from Absolut Comedy
- This event is free for engineering students and a low cost to other students
- Food will be sold

## **Federation of Students' Council - Councillor Report**

Faculty of Environment  
Jon Goetz and Nick Soave  
August 2009

### **Environmental Scan**

Due to the low numbers of students in the Faculty, not much goes on. There is unrest among some of the student body regarding the Environment 3 building and how the consolation process has been handled. On the positive side, many of the trees and plants there are in the garden where the building will be built have been transplanted around the other EV buildings in hopes of creating more natural gardens. Other than the issue of the building, ENV and ESS are very quiet as most students are not around in the spring term.

### **Consultation**

Both Councilor's having been in contact with Niki Mckernan the student on the EV3 Building Committee regarding the new building. We have offered to provide our support at the FedS level. There has been ongoing consultation with the Academic Review.

### **Representation**

Councilor Goetz is and has been helping with the Academic Review that could see the dynamics of the Environment student body change in several years. Also, both Councilors have been trying to assist the students with the new building planning. With the lack of Students on campus there has been little attempts at engaging our students. This Spring term, however, we have created a plan to significantly increase representation and participation with ENV students.

### **Media & Events**

The Waterloo Environment and Business Society (WEBS) have been holding regular events during the spring term. Other than that, the EV3 discussion board is online looking for comments at <http://ev3.uwaterloo.ca/forum/index.php>.

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### **Faculty Society Update**

ESS does not run in the spring, although several executive have been hard at work planning for the following terms.